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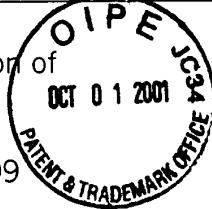
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 1, please amend the first paragraph to read as follows:

(A) This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/894,833, filed August 29, 1997, which is a 371 of PCT/SE97/01150, filed June 26, 1997, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 3 without prejudice.